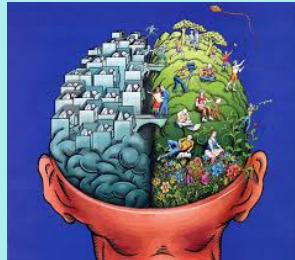


# Imagination and Knowledge

## Rough Draft

"Which is more important: imagination or knowledge?"



Be sure you have the "raw material" for your essay.

You will need your Compare and Contrast graphic organizer.



*To refresh your memory, below is one class's opinions on the similarities and differences between imagination and knowledge.*

<u><b>Criteria</b></u>	<u><b>Imagination</b></u>	<u><b>Knowledge</b></u>
cost	free	usually \$\$
supplies	nothing	books, computers teachers, materials
use	create	assisting applying
survival	essential	essential
jobs	usually needed	essential
age acquired	from birth	awake gradually
Consciousness	sleeping and awake	

Today you will begin to draft your opinion and support it with arguments. Look at the basic structure on your graphic organizer.



Now let's look at your introductory paragraph. It should introduce your topic, explain its importance, and state your thesis.

Look at the following example:

Imagination and knowledge are two essential parts of a person. They have allowed humans to learn about the depths of our galaxy and the workings of our own cells. They are used to cure diseases and write beautiful music. Albert Einstein was once asked, do you trust more to your imagination than to your knowledge? His response was, "Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world." I have given great thought to the same question and I believe that knowledge is more important than imagination.

Please discuss how each aspect is included.

Your three body paragraphs should prove your point! Start them with a topic sentence, then follow that with details.

(This is where your graphic organizer should help)

Look at the following example:

Imagination is more important than knowledge because it is more accessible. First, imagination is basically free. Knowledge needs physical materials to be acquired, yet books, the internet, or a field trip can be expensive. One is able to imagine without any of these things. Second, imagining can be done anywhere. Knowledge, on the other hand, is usually acquired in a specific place like a classroom or laboratory. Finally, imagination is accessible even when you are sleeping. Anyone who has been inspired by a dream can attest to this!

Your body paragraphs will benefit from linking words and linking phrases.

Linking words and phrases help writing flow smoothly. They also help readers understand how opinions and reasons are connected. Here are some common linking words and phrases.

Linking words	Linking phrases
although, because, before, consequently, first, furthermore, finally, nevertheless, specifically, then, therefore	even though, as long as, in addition, in spite of, the first reason, for example, most important, with reference to

Your conclusion should wrap up your paper and knock your point out of the park! We are going to use a simile to make our points POP!!!!

Look at the following example:

While imagination and knowledge have many similarities and differences, they both extremely important. Albert Einstein, the Nobel Prize winning physicist, believed that imagination is more important than knowledge. I agree with Mr. Einstein. I believe that knowledge is like a car and imagination is a spaceship. Knowledge can take us many places but imagination's potential for exploration is unlimited. Imagination is more important than knowledge.

Take a moment to think of your own simile that compares imagination and knowledge!



Now it is time to put your  
imagination and knowledge to work!

